deepest condolences to Childs' family and friends. We honor her life and legacy today and always, and we will never forget the groundbreaking, history-making work she accomplished.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. MARIANNETTE MILLER-MEEKS

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, March 17, 2023

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to vote on March 10, 2023. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 143.

HONORING THE LIFE OF OFFICER CHRISTOPHER FITZGERALD

## HON. BRENDAN F. BOYLE

OF PENNSYLVANIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, March 17, 2023

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, it is my solemn honor to ask the House of Representatives to join me in honoring the life of Christopher Fitzgerald, a constituent of my district and Temple University Police Officer who was tragically killed in the line of duty in North Philadelphia on February 18th of this year.

Officer Fitzgerald was a valued member of the Temple community, passionate about serving our city. He was a loving father, a dedicated husband, a committed son, brother, and a lover of Philadelphia sports.

Officer Fitzgerald was born in the City of Philadelphia and comes from a family with a proud tradition of protecting and serving the public in law enforcement. Officer Fitzgerald entered the Philadelphia Police Academy in 2017, and served as a police officer for the Philadelphia Housing Authority before transferring to the Philadelphia Sheriff's Department. In 2021, Officer Fitzgerald joined the Temple University Police Department, where he served with distinction, being recognized with the 2022 Officer of the Year award.

Officer Fitzgerald's commitment to serving the public was absolute, and he took great pride in his work protecting the Temple Community. He was loved and respected by his colleagues, and when presented with risks in the line of duty, he never hesitated for a moment in taking action to keep the City of Philadelphia safe. His conduct was and is an extraordinary example of absolute commitment to his community and city that we all should work to emulate. Even as we mourn, we profit from the example of selfless service Officer Fitzgerald leaves us with.

So I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in offering our shared condolences to Officer Fitzgerald's family, and to join me in honoring his life and unwavering dedication to protecting and serving the Temple University community and the entire City of Philadelphia.

RECOGNIZING SAUL SIMPSON

## HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, March 17, 2023

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, I want to honor the life and legacy of Mr. Saul Simpson, Jr., a long-time resident of Detroit and servant of the

people through his work with the Internal Revenue Service.

Born in Chicago to Saul Sr. and Rosie B. Simpson, Saul moved to Detroit in 1954 with his family at three years old. Saul was a proud graduate of Detroit Public Schools' Northwestern High School and Wayne State University.

In 1977, Saul began what would become an illustrious 45-year career with the Internal Revenue Service, working as a Human Resources Specialist. Saul's colleagues say he lived to work. He treasured his job and was a beloved figure to peers and management alike.

When he wasn't working, one of Saul's favorite pastimes was softball. Saul earned numerous awards and championships when he started playing with the Blue Devils in Metro Detroit and the Resmondo Softball League in Dundee, Florida. In 2013, Saul was inducted into the Detroit Negro Slow Pitch Softball League Hall of Fame and later the United States Specialty Sports Association Hall of Fame as well.

Saul loved life. He loved spending time and sharing laughs with friends and family. He is survived by two loving sisters, Latricia and Tyonna; two beautiful nieces Raquel and Del; his nephew Tyrik and 6 great nieces who he affectionately referred to as the G6.

Please join me in enthusiastically honoring Saul's lifetime of cherished memories, love for his community, and his nearly fifty-year career in service to the public.